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Honorable Commissioner of Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for reply to the Office action dated 05/21/2004 for 2 months from 08/21/2004 to 10/21/2004. A fee transmittal is attached.

In the event that a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0281, and in the event that there is a credit due, please credit Deposit Account No. 50-0281.

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